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In re application of: Tomoko SOGABE et al.

Serial No.: 09/943,470

Filing Date: August 30, 2001

For: REPRODUCTION APPARATUS, REPRODUCTION METHOD,
PROGRAM, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

Examiner: Dac V. Ha

Art Unit: 2634

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 30, 2004

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully
 requested in view of the following amendments and comments.

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 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for six (6) additional
 01 FC:1201 new independent claims to Deposit Account No. 18-0988 (Docket No. YAMAP0776US).

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III. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, all claims 2-22 are believed to be allowable and the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should a petition for an extension of time be necessary for the timely reply to the outstanding Office Action (or if such a petition has been made and an additional extension is necessary), petition is hereby made and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees (including additional claim fees) to Deposit Account No. 18-0988.

Respectfully submitted,

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